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SUBJECT: TANZANIA NAMES NEW AMBASSADOR TO SCANDINAVIAN
COUNTRIES

1. IN DIPLOMATIC SHUFFLE ANNOUNCED MARCH 2, PRESIDENT NYERERE
NAMED JOHN EDWARD FUMBWE MHINA AS NEW AMBASSADOR TO
SWEDEN, REPLACING MICHAEL LUKUMBUZYA, WHO BECOMES HIGH
COMMISSIONER TO CANADA. HE WILL ALSO BE ACCREDITED TO NORWAY,
DENMARK, ICLENAD AND FINALND.

2. AN EDUCATOR BY PROFESSION, THIS IS EDWARD MHINA'S FIRST
DIPLOMATIC ASSIGNMENT. BORN IN MUHEZA, TANGA REGION, IN
1926, MHINA WAS EDUCATED AT MAKERERE COLLEGE IN UGANDA,
UNIVERSITY OF LONDON, AND SPENT SEVERAL YEARS STUDYING IN THE
UNITED STATES. HE HELD VARIOUS JOBS AS SECONDARY SCHOOL TEACHER
BETWEEN 1951 AND 1960, AND FROM 1961-67 WAS HEADMASTER OF
SONGEA AND THEN ST. ANDREWS SECONDARY SCHOOLS. IN 1967 HE
BECAME ASSISTANT CHIEF EDUCATION OFFICER IN MINISTRY OF EDUCATION,
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WITH RESPONSIBILITY FOR THE PRIMARY EDUCATION SECTOR. IN THIS

CAPACITY HE ACCOMPANIED MINISTER OF EDUCATION ON TWO WEEK STUDY TRIP TO NORTH KOREA IN 1969, WHERE HE WAS FAVORABLY IMPRESSED BY TECHNICAL EDUCATION AND THE ROLE OF POLITICAL COMMISSARS IN MAINTAINING POLITICAL CONSCIOUSNESS AMONG THE PEOPLE. HE SUBSEQUENTLY BECAME DIRECTOR OF THE ADULT EDUCATION CENTER AT KIBAHA.

3. IN 1972, MHINA WAS APPOINTED TANU PARTY SECRETARY FOR RUVUMA REGION ON THE BORDER OF MOZAMBIQUE (AUTOMATICALLY BECOMING REGIONAL COMMISSIONER AND A MEMBER OF PARLIAMENT). THIS WAS AT THE TIME AN ESPECIALLY SENSITIVE POST BECAUSE OF THE GUERRILLA WAR BEING CONDUCTED BY FRELIMO AGAINST THE PORTUGUESE IN MOZAMBIQUE FROM BASES INSIDE TANZANIA.

4. WHILE ASSIGNED TO THE MINISTRY OF EDUCATION IN DAR ES SALAAM, DURING THE 1960'S, MHINA WAS FRIENDLY WITH EMBASSY OFFICERS.

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